

John P. Zweifel

March 30, 1887 – September 1947

Rites Held Friday For John P. Zweifel, Cheese Firm Head Prominent Local Cheese Dealer Passes Away Wednesday

Funeral services for John P. Zweifel, 60 years of age, well known local man and prominent Monticello cheese dealer for many years, who passed away at 4 o'clock on Wednesday morning of last week in a Madison hospital following an illness of about two weeks, were held at 2 Friday afternoon at the Zwingli Evangelical and Reformed church.

The Rev. A. R. Achtemeier, church pastor, officiated, and burial was in Highland cemetery. Masonic services were held at the grave. Pallbearers were Albert Knobel, Adolph Arn, C. F. Jordan, W. D. Elmer, W. E. Blum, and C. W. Karlen.

Mr. Zweifel first became ill about two weeks before his death. Few people, including members of his family, realized how serious his condition was and that he was critically ill.

Born in Monroe

John P. Zweifel was born in Monroe March 30, 1887, the son of John and Anna Schneider Zweifel. On Feb, 17, 1909, he was united in marriage to Nellie Krueger, the ceremony taking place in Monticello. "Jack," as he was always referred to by his many friends, had been closely identified with the cheese industry in Monticello for many years, He first became associated with cheese wholesale activities as an employee of Edw. Wittwer & Bro., pioneer Monticello cheese dealers. In 1920 the Arn & Zweifel Cheese company was formed and the firm began operating the following year. Along with Adolph Arn and Albert Knobel, the firm operated continuously since that time and now remains as the sole independent firm of its kind in the county. Mr. Arn retired from the firm in 1943,

Closely identified with fraternal organizations for many years, Mr. Zweifel was prominent in Masonic circles. He was a member and past-master of the Monticello Union lodge, No. 155, the Eastern Star, the Chapter, Commandery, Consistory and the Shrine. Mr. Zweifel was also a member of the Zwingli Evangelical and Reformed church.

"Jack" had for many years taken a keen interest in horses and owned several riding and driving horses. Youngsters of the village and many who have since grown up were frequent passengers with Mr. Zweifel in his pony cart, He spent a great deal of his spare time with his horses and always was a friend of the children of the village. Mr. Zweifel will be deeply missed by his many friends in the village and surrounding community, young and old alike.

Surviving, besides the bereaved widow, are two daughters, Mrs. Thomas Hagon, Milwaukee, and Mrs. Thomas Hamilton, Westfield; two sons, Dwight, Monticello, and Edward, Madison; and 11 grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his father in 1944, and one brother, Edward.